

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF DENTISTRY
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
August 23, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER: President David Narramore, D.M.D. called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Board members present were, Board President David Narramore, D.M.D.; Jim Allen, D.M.D.; William Boggess, D.M.D.; Susan King, D.M.D.; Dianne Embry, R.D.H.; Allan Francis and Julie Gaskill, D.D.S. There was a determination of a quorum. Absent Board members were Greg Vance, D.M. D. and Hank Sleet, D.M.D., M.D.

Staff members present were Executive Staff Advisor, Lisa A. Turner; Board Counsel Mark Brengelman; Investigators Marquette Poynter, D.M.D., and Robert S. Thompson III. Executive Director Brian K. Bishop was unable to attend due to a scheduled Mission trip out of the country.

Visitors: Dr. Narramore recognized Dr. Fonda Robinson representing University of Kentucky College of Dentistry and Dr. Margaret Hill representing the University of Louisville School of Dentistry.

Business

Dr. Narramore acknowledged recent accomplishments in dentistry regarding dental care for Kentucky's indigent population and recent uniform examination standards set at a national level.

Intimidation of Board Members

The President opened discussion based upon a reported threat received by Dr. King. Dr. Narramore asked for comments from Dr. King, who declined due to instructions she received from the Ethics Commission.

Inappropriate Behavior/ Miscommunications from Staff and/or Board Members

The President opened discussion on reported occurrences in the presence of Executive Director Brian Bishop at the Kentucky Dental Association Executive Board Meeting held August 15, 2008. The President asked Dr. Allen if he attended the KDA Meeting that day and Dr. Allen indicated he did not attend. Dr. Narramore concluded that the issue was apparently resolved.

Former Board President Dr. Kim Westermann provided copies of an email communication from Dr. Narramore the content of which she characterized as unprofessional conduct from a Member of the Board of Dentistry, asking Dr. Narramore to provide an explanation. Dr. Narramore declined.

Dr. King made a motion requesting Dr. David Narramore resign from the Board based upon comments made in open discussion. Mr. Francis seconded the motion. Individual verbal votes were tallied as follows:
Dr. Allen voted no; Dr. Boggess abstained from voting; Dr. Gaskill voted no and Dianne Embry voted no. The motion failed for lack of a majority.

Law Enforcement Committee

The President opened discussion on the issue of how new complaints are disseminated to Board Members on the Law Enforcement Committee. Dr. Narramore asked Dr. Allen for comments.

Dr. Boggess made a motion that the name of the licensee against whom the complaint is made be redacted from the initial complaints provided to the Board Members serving on the Law Enforcement Committee until a determination has been made that an investigation is warranted, then the names shall be released, with the unconditional requirement that Board Members on the Law Enforcement Committee keep all names of licensees under investigation absolutely confidential, which includes not sharing information with the public, other dental professionals or other Board Members. Mr. Francis seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Executive Session KRS 61:810 (c) (f)

Dr. Allen made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the hiring, firing or discipline of an employee, specifically Brian Bishop. The motion failed for lack of a second.

The President adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

APPROVED:

David Narramore, D.M.D.
President

Hank Sleet, D.M.D., M.D.
Secretary-Treasurer